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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/01/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/01/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/01/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/20/2007
- Small Entity Statement filed on 06/01/2006
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 06/01/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/01/2006
- Assignment filed on 06/01/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 06/01/2006
- Specification filed on 06/01/2006
- Claims filed on 06/01/2006
- Abstracts filed on 06/01/2006
- Drawings filed on 06/01/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$105 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$170 for a Small Entity:

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• \$65 Surcharge.

Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$105

• \$105 for 1 independent claims over 3.

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